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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of)

Yamazaki et al.)

Serial No.: 10/629,069)

Filed: July 29, 2004)

For: Wiring Material And A)
Semiconductor Device Having A)
Wiring Using The Material, And The)
Manufacturing Method Thereof)

Art Unit: 2826)

Examiner: Fetsum Abraham)

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

The undersigned received a Restriction Requirement dated December 2, 2004 for the above-identified application. The restriction requirement states that Claims 1-35 are pending and has issued a restriction requirement based on these claims.

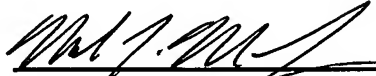
However, with the filing of the application on July 29, 2003, Applicants filed Preliminary Amendment A in which Claims 1-35 were canceled and Claims 36-42 were added. A copy of this amendment and the return postcard is attached herewith.

On November 4, 2003, Applicants filed Preliminary Amendment B in which Claims 43-50 were added. A copy of this amendment and the return postcard indicating receipt by the PTO on November 7, 2003 is attached herewith.

Accordingly, this restriction requirement has been issued in error and it respectfully requested that it be withdrawn, and examination issued on pending Claims 36-50.

Respectfully submitted,

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